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# ARIZONA STATE SENATE

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# FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2569

elections; private finding; prohibition

# <u>Purpose</u>

Prohibits the state or other public body that conducts or administers elections from receiving or expending private monies for the purpose of preparing, administering or conducting an election.

## **Background**

A county board of supervisors (county BOS) or other authority in charge of elections must provide voting or marking devices, voting booths, ballots, early ballots, ballot boxes and other supplies for the preparation of elections (<u>A.R.S. § 16-405</u>). A county BOS must also furnish each polling place with ballot boxes, equipped with locks and large enough to properly receive and hold the ballots cast (A.R.S. § 16-404).

Within 90 days after a consolidated election, a county BOS must prepare a report that provides an itemized account of all costs incurred by the county in administering the election, including an itemized account of all charges made to each political subdivision that participated in that election (A.R.S. § 16-205). The Secretary of State, in consultation with county recorders and the county officers in charge of elections, must include in the budget request for the Department of State sufficient monies from the state General Fund to conduct a presidential preference election (A.R.S. § 16-250).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation

#### **Provisions**

- 1. Prohibits the state or a city, town, county, school district or other public body that conducts or administers elections from receiving or expending private monies for:
  - a) preparing for an election; and
  - b) administering or conducting an election, including registering voters.
- 2. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

### House Action

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